

WORLD OF RADIO #1196, produced Aug. 20, 2003 by Glenn Hauser

- *We removed World of Radio from WJIE until they can be more reliable
- *V. of Turkey gives away half an hour of 500 kW airtime, Tue 1845-1920 on 9785 to Europe, ``Turkey Live``. David Crystal in Israel takes advantage of it when no one else calls; pirates should go legal this way
- *Israeli infighting takes its toll on the few minutes of English on shortwave still remaining. Still 0400-0415; 1015-1030 changed to 1010-1020; 1630-1645 to 1700-1705; still 1900-1925. Despite protests from listeners in Israel and abroad; complex situation also affected by what is done on TV
- *Al-Asr website registered to Anglo Media Systems, London; one of many such satellite stations; translation of station's objectives from website; the name could mean era, or a sura in the Kor'an, one of the daily prayers; Tarek Zeidan hears it on satellite, and is expected on SW in September; no females or music heard
- *V. of Iraqi Kurdistan, 4085, strong on 2nd harmonic 8170
- *R. Amani, new service to Afghanistan, confirmed on 15615 Fri at 1628-1730 with breaks; site believed Armavir-Krasnodar, Russia
- *All India Radio splurging on shortwave, with new transmitters, despite phase-out strategy; even plans 24h news channel on SW
- *Another story on plans to float radios into North Korea via balloon
- *KCBS, official NK station now heard on frequencies formerly carrying clandestine Voice of National Salvation
- *Degar Voice is a service for Montagnards in Vietnam, Tu/Th/Sa 1300-1330 on 7115 via Russia; <http://www.montagnard-foundation.org>
- *RSPK Ngada on new 3516.7, ex-2899 where it was known as RPDT2 Ngada, Indonesia
- *RRI Wamena strong in Florida on 4869.96 around 1100; crazy frequency choice for RRI Sorong to be so close on 4870.9, but may have no choice with old transmitter
- *Lots more info on new aboriginal service ARDS in Australia; see last few issues of DX Listening Digest at <http://www.worldofradio.com>
- *Heard by a few DXers down under, but not North America; China also on 5050, and WWRB authorized as late as 1200, but so far off before 0930 when ARDS might be heard (recording: ID clip from RA Feedback)
- *Death of Idi Amin provokes memories of Uganda's external service under his regime, UBC (recording of 9515 from David Kernick's <http://www.intervalsignals.net> website)
- *Catholic station in Liberia, R. Veritas back on the air, but on SW? Had been on 5470
- *The 1,196th World of Radio in a row; P O Box 1684, Enid, OK 73702, USA or woradio at yahoo.com Check our website for much more info: <http://www.worldofradio.com>
- *Thanks this week for financial support via PayPal go to Larry Guerrera, NX2V
- *Burkina Faso in the clear from 0500 on 5030 in the absence of Dr.

Scott via Costa Rica [but he's back since]

- *R. Los Andes, Perú, reactivated on 5030 after 2,613 days, but previous reactivation was only brief
- *New Bolivian is R. Tacana, in Tumupasa, Iturralde, 4781.5 at 0202
- *R. San Miguel, Bolivia jumped around from 4930 to 4734 and lately on 4905.6, with cu-cu ID at 1000
- *Brazil resumed 9665 around 0600-0700v; external service to Africa at 0500-0800, 1900-2100 on 6180, 11780, with programs already produced for internal consumption, except Giro Afro, news of Portuguese speaking countries
- *LRA36, Antarctica, may have special broadcast UT Aug 28 at 0100 for DXers on 15476; planned as of July 20 but not reconfirmed lately
- *Not much news from Radio for Peace International; met on Aug 18 with University for Peace; next conversation scheduled for Sept 4; RFPI supporters urged to keep up letter-writing and e-mailing campaigns
- *Last week's report of Spain via Costa Rica on 3359: next night back on 3350
- *R. México International's new schedule of reduced English broadcasts not confirmed -- in Spanish when I checked. May not be any English left. In a state of flux: cancelled Portuguese, and producers of English and French have departed
- *R. Havana Cuba has three new 100 kW transmitters testing on 9600, 11875, 9550, 11760 evenings; 11705, 9550, 11760 in the mornings; 9550 afternoons; reports wanted
- *TV Martí to be beamed into Cuba via satellite from September, a 'bone tossed to Cuban exiles' per NBC6 Miami
- *R. Martí turned out to be an intruder in the 20m hamband, 14010, a mix of 13630 and 13820
- *WPAD, Paducah, Kentucky, 1560, heard on 2340, a sesqui-harmonic!
- *San Francisco Liberation Radio, 93.7, gets endorsement of Board of Supervisors by a 2-1 vote
- *radio free brattleboro, Vermont, shut by FCC June 24, plans to return Friday Aug 22 at 5-8 pm ET, justified by 2000 petition signatures, on new frequency 107.9
- *Roy Neal, one of the best space reporters, for NBC News, a.k.a. K6DUE, died at 82 in North Carolina; see tributes and obits in last few issues of DX Listening Digest
- *Blackout effects include at least one SW station, CHU, Canada, timesignals; still off as of Aug 20, generator and other equipment failed
- *Lots of stories about how radio suddenly became a vital means of communication when electricity was off, surprise2
- *Hams also quick to pat themselves on the back for providing emergency communications
- *Unexpected geomag storm Aug 17 [or 18] led to propagational blackouts, visible auroras
- *Propagation outlook from Boulder Aug 19: flux range 100-135

*With a standard disclaimer,

*Glenn Hauser concluding World of Radio 1196

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